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| <i>In re</i> application of: Nazarenko, I., <i>et al.</i> Appl. No.: 09/599,594 Filed: June 22, 2000 For: Primers and Methods for the Detection and Discrimination of Nucleic Acids | Confirmation No.: 8750 Art Unit: 1637 Examiner: Fredman, J. N. Atty. Docket: IVGN 246 |

Request to Withdraw Appeal

Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences
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Sir:

A Notice of Appeal for the above-referenced application was filed on July 3, 2006, and a hearing on this Appeal is scheduled for July 10, 2007. Appellants do not wish to pursue this Appeal any further. Consequently, Appellants request that the pending Appeal be withdrawn from consideration by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences as of today's date, July 6, 2007.

Applicants wish to have prosecution of the application reopened, and have filed this same day a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, accompanied by a submission responsive to the last outstanding Office action and the corresponding fee set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

If you believe for any reason that personal communication is necessary regarding this matter, you are invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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